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insisted on by the department, will the Government kindly consider the grant of a special kit allowance at least to these Physical Training Instructors?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Taking all these things into consideration, the pay of these instructors has been fixed."

Revision of the scale of Secondary grade trained teachers.

* 113 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to revise the scale of pay of Secondary grade trained teachers so as to avoid the descending scale of increment; and

(b) if so, when it will be put into force?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) The question does not arise."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" May I know whether the Government are aware of the fact that only in the case of these secondary grade teachers there is a descending scale of increment and it is not found in any other case, even in the case of peons in the department?"

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I am prepared to lower the increment in the beginning so that it may be on a par with the increment which we give later on."

SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI :—" It will be much better, Sir, and even if the increments are lowered in the initial stages we will be prepared to take it."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The secondary grade trained teacher during the first few years gets an increment of Rs. 3 and afterwards Rs. 2. If the hon. Member would agree, I am prepared to make it a uniform increment of Rs. 2 throughout."

S.S.L.C. qualified Physical Training Instructors appearing for the T.S.L.C. Examination.

* 114 Q.—SRI G. KRISHNAMOORTHI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance and Education be pleased to state—

(a) whether Physical Training Instructors passing S.S.L.C. Examination are allowed to sit privately for the T.S.L.C. Examination; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) The training imparted to the Physical Training Instructors is mainly in Physical Education and that too only for a